

**In the Specification:**

Please cancel paragraphs [0012] through [0019].

**In the Claims:**

Prior to calculation of the claim fees, please cancel claims 41-93 without prejudice.

Applicants reserve the right to have these claims reconsidered at a later date.

**In the Abstract:**

Please cancel paragraphs [0002] –[0004].

**REMARKS**

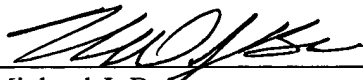
Applicants respectfully request consideration and entry of the above amendment before examination of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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